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**NOTICE TO THE CHIEF CLERK OF THE BOARD OF PATENT**  
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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

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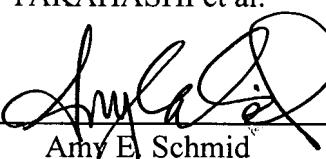
Sir:

The above-identified application is currently awaiting a decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, and has been given Appeal No. 2007-3885. This Notice is to inform the Chief Clerk of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences that a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), together with a submission and the required fee, have today been filed in the above-identified application. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the appeal be withdrawn, in view of the filing of the RCE.

Respectfully submitted,

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